

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_0942A  
Minoru OHARA : **Confirmation No. 3412**  
Serial No. 10/500,961 : Group Art Unit 1792  
Filed July 8, 2004 : Examiner Katherine A Bareford  
THERMAL BARRIER COATING METHOD, : **Mail Stop: RCE**  
MASKING PIN AND COMBUSTOR  
TRANSITION PIECE

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2009, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, Applicant herein provides the following amendments and remarks.